

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



RE: PATENT APPLICATION OF
KATOH et al.

Appln. No.: 09/788,426

Group Art Unit: 2834

Filed: February 21, 2001

Examiner: Unassigned

Title: MULTI-LAYERED BRUSH OF ROTARY ELECTRIC MACHINE AND
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

July 20, 2001

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that the enclosed document listed on the herewith Form PTO-1449 was cited in the attached European Search Report, dated June 22, 2001, issued in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months ago.

Should a first action on the merits have been issued on the same day or before this Information Disclosure Statement is filed, please accept this Information Disclosure Statement under Rule 97(c) and charge the requisite Rule 17 (p) fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975, under Order No. 30954/277197 and proceed to consider this Information Disclosure Statement.

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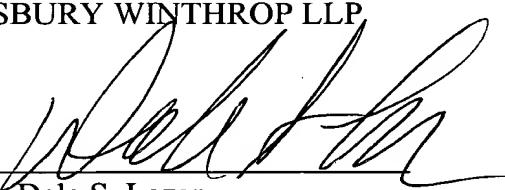
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Consideration of the foregoing and the enclosure plus the return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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